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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR FUEL REPROCESSING PLANT

1. ON APRIL 14, 1975 IN AMSTERDAM, T.J. BARENDREGT, MANAGING
DIRECTOR OF COMPRIMO (ARCHITECT ENGINEER FIRM), INFORMED
RUBIN, SR. ERDA REP. IN BRUSSELS, OF SCHEDULED VISIT ON APRIL
25, 1975 OF G.P. CHIEN, DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE FOR NUCLEAR
ENERGY RESEARCH (INER), TAIWAN, AND W.K. WANG, ATOMIC ENERGY
COUNSEL, REPUBLIC OF CHINA. BARENDREGT STATED THE REQUEST FOR
MEETING WAS THE FIRST COMMUNICATION FROM CHIEN OR WANG IN ALMOST
TWO YEARS, SINCE COMPRIMO WAS INVITED TO PREPARE PROPOSAL FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF A NUCLEAR FUEL CHEMICAL REPROCESSING PLANT
IN TAIWAN. NO PROPOSAL WAS SUBMITTED FOLLOWING INTERVENTION
BY USAEC. COMMENT: COMPRIMO WAS THE ARCHITECT ENGINEER FOR
THE EUROCHEMIC REPRECESSING PLANT AT MOL, BELGIUM, AND
BARENDREGT IS VERY PROUD OF THE SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE OF
THIS FACILITY.

2. WHILE THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT CHIEN INTENDS TO AGAIN
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DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF COMPRIMO DISIGNING AND CONSTRUCTING

A CHEMICAL REPROCESSING PLANT IN TAIWAN, BARENDREGT DOES NOT KNOW OF ANY OTHER REASON FOR THE VISIT. WHILE COMPRIMO DECLINED TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR THIS TYPE OF FACILITY WHEN PREVIOUSLY APPROACHED, BARENDREGT VOICED CONCERN THAT IF HE REFUSED AGAIN FOR POLITICAL REASONS THAT THE FRENCH WOULD BE WILLING TO PROVIDE THE SAME FACILITY FOR INER. SINCE COMPRIMO PERFORMS ARCHITECT ENGINEERING WORK IN TAIWAN IN THE OIL REFINERY FIELD, BARENDREGT IS RELUCTANT TO REJECT AN INVITATION FROM A CUSTOMER WHEN HE HAS THE CAPABILITY AND THE BUSINESS INTEREST IN SATISFYING THE REQUEST.

3. ABOVE INFORMATION PROVIDED AS GENERAL BACKGROUND IN CASE IT CONFIRMS FROM OTHER SOURCES A NEW INITIATIVE BY TAIWAN TO ESTABLISH NUCLEAR FUEL REPROCESSING FACILITIES.

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